

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. A method comprising:
 - 2 providing a single logical physically distributed
 - 3 information system across one or more information systems of
 - 4 at least two enterprises, the enterprises are being combined;
 - 5 and
 - 6 providing a user interface to access the single logical
 - 7 physically distributed information system to manage one or
 - 8 more restructuring-related issues, the user interface is
 - 9 adapted to manage one or more deliverables associated with a
 - 10 restructuring.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1 further comprising:
 - 2 providing a user interface to integrate restructuring-
 - 3 related projects and resources for at least one enterprise;
 - 4 providing a user interface to implement restructuring-
 - 5 related projects and resources for at least one enterprise;
 - 6 and
 - 7 providing a user interface to manage training, planning,
 - 8 and communication activities.
- 1 3. The method of claim 2 further comprising providing a
 - 2 user interface to use the single logical physically
 - 3 distributed information system to execute at least one of pre-
 - 4 restructuring and post-restructuring activities, the post-
 - 5 restructuring activities comprising a post-restructuring
 - 6 assessment and a measurement of one or more achieved
 - 7 synergies.
- 1 4. The method of claim 3 further comprising providing
 - 2 one or more user interfaces are adapted to a role of the user

3 and a phase of the restructuring, a security of the one or
4 more user interfaces being related to the role of the user and
5 the phase of the restructuring, the role of the user
6 comprising an executive role.

1 5. An article comprising a machine-readable medium
2 storing instructions operable to cause a machine to perform
3 operations comprising:
4 providing an interface for a user to monitor a progress
5 of a merger of at least two organizations;
6 managing merger-related communications of at least one of
7 the organizations;
8 tracking one or more merger-related deliverables; and
9 managing one or more merger-related deliverables of at
10 least one of the organizations.

1 6. The article of claim 5, wherein the operations
2 further comprise:
3 providing a virtual project room adapted for one or more
4 executives of at least one of the organizations; and
5 providing a common collaborative environment adapted for
6 a plurality of merger members.

1 7. A system for planning a merger of at least two
2 organizations, the system comprising a software product,
3 wherein the software product comprises a module adapted to
4 allow a user to manage one or more merger-related projects for
5 at least one of the organizations, wherein the module
6 comprises one or more sub-modules adapted to allow a user to
7 address a plurality of merger-related issues wherein the sub-
8 modules comprise at least one of an executive cockpit sub-
9 module, a training management sub-module, a deliverables
10 management sub-module, a project planning sub-module, and a

11 communications management sub-module, wherein the deliverables
 12 management sub-module comprises a deliverable room sub-module
 13 and a deliverable tracker sub-module, wherein the executive
 14 cockpit sub-module is adapted to provide a view of a merger
 15 integration progress for one or more executive stakeholders.

1 8. The system of claim 7, wherein the training
 2 management sub-module serves as a repository to request,
 3 schedule, and monitor an execution of one or more training
 4 sessions, and the training management sub-module further
 5 provides a platform to facilitate one or more training
 6 processes.

1 9. The system of claim 7, wherein the training
 2 management sub-module comprises at least one of a training
 3 class repository, a master training scheduler, an electronic
 4 mailing service for training invitations, and an archive of
 5 on-line training, and the master training scheduler comprises
 6 at least one of a department-specific scheduling service, a
 7 department-specific planning service, a role-specific
 8 scheduling service, and a role-specific scheduling service.

1 10. The system of claim 9, wherein the training
 2 management sub-module is adapted to track a completion of
 3 training for one or more stakeholders, training topics, and
 4 organizational locations, and the training management sub-
 5 module is further adapted to report a completion of training
 6 for one or more stakeholders, training topics, and
 7 organizational locations to a user.

1 11. A system for managing a merger of at least two
 2 organizations, the system comprising a portal, an object
 3 modeling tool, and a computer module adapted to allow a user

4 to monitor one or more tasks associated with a synergy
5 achievement, the computer module comprising a deliverable
6 room.

1 12. The system of claim 11, the deliverable room
2 comprising a sub-deliverable room, wherein the sub-deliverable
3 room comprises one or more characteristics from the
4 deliverable room, wherein the one or more characteristics
5 comprise security permissions, and the computer module is
6 further adapted to generate and assign one or more tasks
7 associated with the synergy achievement.

1 13. A system for managing a merger of at least two
2 organizations, the system comprising a computer product
3 comprising a deliverable room adapted for one or more merger
4 stakeholder users, wherein the one or more stakeholder users
5 comprise an executive of at least one of the organizations.

1 14. The system of Claim 15, wherein the computer product
2 comprises one or more interfaces adapted to present merger-
3 related information including, at least one of a team roster,
4 a task list, a shared folder, a meeting scheduler, a note from
5 a meeting, an issue list, a decision list, and a status.

1 15. The system of claim 13, wherein the deliverable room
2 comprises a hierarchal parent room of one or more sub-
3 deliverable rooms, wherein the deliverable room comprises a
4 reference model, and the reference module comprises pre-
5 populated data.

1 16. The system of claim 15, wherein the deliverable room
2 further comprises at least one of a methodology, a help tool,
3 and a set of contextual tools adapted for a specific

4 deliverable, wherein the specific deliverable comprises a
5 realignment of compensation for employees.

1 17. An article comprising a machine-readable medium
2 storing instructions operable to cause a machine to perform
3 operations comprising:

4 providing one or more user interfaces for a merger of at
5 least two organizations; and

6 enabling a plurality of project management capabilities
7 for the one or more user interfaces, wherein the project
8 management capabilities comprise:

9 managing a timeline of a merger project;

10 setting at least one of a milestone meeting,

11 deliverable, due date, and owner; and

12 tracking a progress of the merger.

1 18. An article comprising a machine-readable medium
2 storing instructions operable to cause a machine to perform
3 operations comprising:

4 providing one or more user interfaces for a merger of at
5 least two organizations; and

6 displaying at least one of a merger-related
7 communication plan, a merger-related communication execution,
8 and a merger-related communication monitoring for at least one
9 of the organizations to an interface user.

1 19. The article of claim 18, wherein the operations
2 further comprise:

3 sending an approval request to the interface user;

4 showing a merger progress in the interface;

5 updating the merger progress shown in the user interface;

6 and

7 loading merger-related information from an user interface
8 template.

1 20. The article of claim 18, wherein the operations
2 further comprise:

3 informing one or more interface stakeholder users of a
4 merger-related item, wherein the merger-related item comprises
5 at least one of a new campaign, an event, a news item, a poll,
6 a survey, a frequently asked question, a merger-related
7 question and a corresponding response to the merger-related
8 question, an assignment, a schedule reminder, a language
9 translation request, a report, a status, a rollout, an
10 archive, and a previous communication.

1 21. A system for managing a merger of at least two
2 organizations, the system comprising a user interface adapted
3 to allow a user to access, plan, and manage the merger, the
4 interface presenting one or more performance indicators of an
5 entity within one of the organizations.

1 22. The system of claim 21, wherein the interface
2 further presents one or more merger issues in a decision box.

1 23. A system for managing a merger of at least two
2 organizations, the system comprising a collaborative calendar
3 interface, the calendar interface adapted to allow a plurality
4 of stakeholders to view merger-related events and to
5 facilitate training management.

1 24. The system of claim 23, wherein the collaborative
2 calendar interface facilitates one or more rollout trainings
3 and one or more scheduling of one or more services for the
4 plurality of stakeholders, wherein the calendar interface
5 comprises information relating to at least one of a

6 stakeholder role and a merger group, wherein the calendar
7 interface further adapted to allow an exchange of information
8 with an external calendar tool.

1 25. A computer system for managing a merger of at least
2 two organizations, the computer system comprising merger-
3 related information and a user interface adapted to present
4 one or more merger deliverables, wherein the user interface
5 comprises a panel presenting one or more requested
6 deliverables and one or more deliverables assigned to an
7 interface user.

1 26. The computer system of claim 25, wherein the panel
2 further presents at least one of a targeted merger task force,
3 an initiating deliverable contact person, a deadline, and a
4 status, the one or more merger deliverables comprising one or
5 more merger sub-deliverables.

1 27. A system for managing a merger of at least two
2 organizations, the system comprising a computer module, the
3 computer module comprising a merger deliverables tracker tool
4 and a user interface adapted to present one or more merger-
5 related deliverables tracked with the tracker tool.

1 28. The system of claim 27, wherein the user interface
2 is adapted to allow a stakeholder to select a view of one or
3 more lists of deliverables by at least one of a meeting date
4 and a task force, the interface adapted to present a
5 deliverables tracker reference session link.

1 29. The system of claim 28, wherein the view of one or
2 more lists comprises a meeting date, a time, a milestone, a
3 location, and a deliverable information, the deliverable

4 information comprising a name, a task force, a requestor, an
5 assignee, and a status.

1 30. A system comprising:

2 a plurality of restructuring-related interfaces for a
3 restructuring of at least two organizations, the plurality of
4 restructuring-related interfaces comprising one or more
5 restructuring-related issues;

6 a plurality of user interface components adapted to
7 interact with the plurality of restructuring-related
8 interfaces; and

9 a layer of application logic services, the layer
10 interacting with the plurality of restructuring-related
11 interfaces, the application logic services related to the
12 restructuring.